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27. (new) Method according to claim 1 in which said rat/mouse bispecific antibody is selected from the group consisting of the following isotype combinations:

rat-IgG2b/mouse-IgG2a, rat-IgG2b/mouse-IgG2b, and rat-IgG2b/mouse-IgG3.

- 28. (new) Method according to claim 1, further comprising:
- d) adding and thereby activating peripheral blood mononucleated cells while the incubation is continued, and
- e) preparing a vaccine comprising the thus activated peripheral blood mononucleated cells.
- 29. (new) Method according to claim 27 in which said mononucleated peripheral blood cells are incubated with the tumor cells for a period of 1 to 14 days.
- 30. (new) Method according to claim 27 in which said mononucleated peripheral blood cells are added in an amount of about 10⁸ to 10¹⁰ cells.

REMARKS

The recitations added to claim 1 are taken from claim 9, now deleted. The recitations in new claim 27 are also taken from claim 9. The recitations in new claims 28, 29, and 30 find support in the application as filed at page 7, lines 12-15, and claim 18. No new matter is presented.

With this amendment, it is believed that all rejections and objections raised by the examiner have been addressed and their bases removed or corrected. In addition, the entire specification has been studied in detail and an attempt has been made to identify all spelling errors and spellings that do not conform to United States spelling conventions. It is hoped that all such instances have been identified and corrected. With the incorporation of claim 9 into claim 1 and the elimination of claim 10, all claims are now free of the prior art, and likewise patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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Should any matters remain that can be resolved by a conference with Applicants' attorney, the examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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